

## ALARMIST SEES RACE DECAY

Doctor Schlapp Cites Motor Cars and Movies, Among Other Things, as Proof.

The latest alarming bulletin concerning the decadence of the human race comes from Dr. Max G. Schlapp, who finds that "alcohol, industrialism and the stress of modern life are tending to break the race down," and that the "improvement in industrialism has been a boomerang," we have "too many consumers and not enough producers," for example:

"Take the motor car.

"How many thousands of people are interested in the manufacture and sale of motor cars?

"Take the movies—how many thousands of people are engaged in their production?

"Are these people of any particular value to the human race?"

The motor car and the motion pictures have much to answer for, Henry Ford and Charles Chaplin spring to mind. But they are comparatively young. They have not been operative as agents of racial deterioration for more than half a generation. The men who are now directing and fighting the war in Europe were not victims of their pernicious influence until late in life. Moreover, Greece and Rome knew no devil wagons or film productions, and yet they fell. Perhaps, Doctor Schlapp, even the abolition of gas engines and picture projectors would not save the human family.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

## New Tune Needed.

Donald and a little girl friend were not very successful selling Red Cross stamps because they were late comers in a field already canvassed. They stopped on a street corner for conference.

"What do you say when you go to the door?" she asked.

"I knock, and when someone comes to the door," replied Donald, "I say, 'Do you want to buy any Red Cross stamps today?' and they say, 'No, not today.'"

"That is what I say, and that is what they say to me, too," replied the little girl. "I guess we had better get a new tune."—Indianapolis News.

## How to Work It.

Bobbs—I wish I could get my wife to come home, but she'll stick till the last dance is over.

Dobbs—I'll tell you how to do it.

Bobbs—How?

Dobbs—Just dance three times in succession with the pretty girl in the bright red dress, and she'll take you home in a hurry.

The success of a nurse girl depends on her attention to little things.

## SEEMED TO ACT WITH MALICE

Pitchfork Caught in Fodder-Cutting Machine Inflicted Serious Injuries on New Jersey Farmer.

Eugene Peterson, a well-known farmer and dairyman, was terribly injured in a peculiar accident on his farm near here. He was feeding corn stalks into a fodder-cutting machine, and accidentally stuck the pitchfork into the rapidly-revolving flywheel.

The handle of the pitchfork was twisted from the farmer's hands and, whirling around, struck him in the jaw, breaking the bone on both sides. Hurling from the wheel with terrific force, the fork struck Peterson and one of the sharp prongs pierced his throat. A farm hand carried him, unconscious, to the farmhouse, where Doctor Husted of Woodstown temporarily dressed his injuries, and he then was rushed to a Philadelphia hospital.—Woodstown (N. J.) Dispatch Philadelphia Record.

## Perseverance Rewarded.

A prominent writer, who likes a drop or two with his meals, goes occasionally to a cafe on Broadway for luncheon. He makes a point of sitting at the same table whenever possible, so that he has become fairly well acquainted with the waiter in charge of that table. This particular cafe is one of the few in New York where the waiters are colored men.

The other day he slipped into his favorite place and reached for the menu. In an instant the waiter, whose name is Gabe, was hovering over him.

"I s'pose you wants a little Scotch and worter to start off wid?" said Gabe, remembering mighty well his patron's habit.

"No, Gabe," said the patron; "no Scotch today. I've finally found the kind of liquor that suits me."

"Well, suh," said Gabe in tones of honest admiration, "you suttinly kep' on twell you found it, didn't you?"—Saturday Evening Post.

## Discovered.

"This is no joke," hissed the villain in the play.

But the hero was not to be deceived. He had been in straight American comedy before.

"I don't believe you," he retorted. "If it's no joke, what are you going to do with that seltzer siphon you have in your hand?"

And though the villain strove to cover his confusion by all the devices of his kind, it remained palpably evident.—Puck.

A woman would have no use for money except for the fact that it will buy almost any old thing she sets her heart on.

## IN THE WRONG APARTMENT

Satire Based on the Plots That Appear to Be Popular With the Modern Reader.

Equal parts of Henry James, and Robert Chambers.

He steadied himself for a moment, looking upward with that dogged persistency which had served him so well all these years; then, resolutely in the mist of a half-consciousness, he mounted the steps. Seemingly not knowing the stern fate that held him captive, he took out his key ring. It seemed almost like a mockery, but after one or two trials the massive door swung open and he entered. The light was dim.

He stared about him, but even then, with utter fatuity of his extraordinary escapade, he did not sense his mistake; he did not know that he had used the wrong key.

He groped along the upper hall, a wild premonition of coming disaster haunting him. But that dumb persistency, that luckless urging, kept him going. Suddenly he opened a door. There was a slight scream, then louder. He stood face to face with—

Her!

Then quietly she looked at him in utter scorn.

"My husband!" she said.

"My wife!" he muttered.

"Forgive me! I did not know this was my own home. I got the wrong key."

He started out, abashed, but she called him.

"Better leave that key with me. Then you will not be likely to make the same mistake again!"—Life.

## Wasted Language.

A private of a regiment "somewhere in France," quite fancied himself as a French soldier. He used the phrases he had picked up on every possible occasion.

One day he got confidential with a chum who really knew something of the language, and asked:

"I say, Bill, wot does this word 'vewallah' (voilà) mean?"

"Oh, just 'behold,' or 'there you are,'" was the reply.

"Crickey!" exclaimed the first Tommy. "An', ere's me bin usin' the word for weeks an' weeks, thinkin' as I was swearin' in French!"

## Belgium's Lost Children.

There are so many little children alone in this big world! One day a young Belgian official called my attention to his white hair. "That turned in a month," he said, "because I could not find the parents of frightened children, nor the children of agonized parents."—Mabel Hyde Kittredge in the New Republic.

## INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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## LESSON FOR JANUARY 16

## PETER'S SERMON AT PENTECOST

LESSON TEXT—Acts 2:14-47. GOLDEN TEXT—Whoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.—Acts 2:21.

Comparing verse one (R. V.) with the last clause of verse 15, we conclude that this was one early morning prayer meeting which drew a crowd. In this crowd (vv. 9, 10) and on this occasion we see in miniature the evangelism of the world. What Peter hoped to accomplish is an interesting speculation and is answered by his manner and mode of testimony. His famous "sermon" consists of 12 verses, and the balance in quotations from Joel, Psalms, etc.

I. The Empowered Witness, vv. 14-36. (1) Peter testified that Jesus is alive. (a) These men, speaking by the power of the Spirit, are not drunk, but are speaking in soberness of a great fact. (b) This that they hear "is that" prophesied by Joel (2:28, 29). This Jesus of whom they have been speaking had fulfilled this prophecy by mighty deeds (v. 22), by having risen from the dead (v. 23) and of this the disciples were all witnesses (v. 32); he had also been "exalted" (v. 33), and his glory Peter had witnessed upon the mount (II Peter 1:16-18). (2) Peter asserts that whosoever believes in Jesus as Lord and Christ, the Anointed One, the Messiah, shall be saved (vv. 21, 36). (a) He shall be saved from sin and misery in this world; (b) saved unto a life eternal; (c) he shall receive this same power the disciples had received. Peter's witnessing is the same as Jesus has a right to expect of us, the testimony of personal experience, backed up by the word of God. Jesus was indorsed by his miracles, the testimony of those who had seen him as the risen Lord and by his fulfillment of Messianic prophecy.

He was also exalted in the testimony given in all tongues by the empowering Spirit.

II. The Powerful Result, vv. 37-42. The truth of Peter's words was carried home by the Holy Spirit producing deep conviction of sin. (1) Conversion. "The question of verse 37 was a result. They had seen the place of Jesus in the plan of prophecy of God. They saw the boldness of these disciples and they also saw their sin. (2) Confession. Peter's answer to their question was plain and simple. (a) "Repent," i. e., change their minds and their attitude towards Jesus, from that which had caused his crucifixion, to one of absolute surrender, of repentance and renunciation of sin; the surrender of the will to Jesus as Lord. (2) "Be baptized." Outward water baptism is involved, but it is the symbol of the inward change of heart, of the renunciation of sin, death to self (Rom. 6:4) and the putting on of Christ (Gal. 3:26, 27). (3) Continuance (v. 42). Having accepted and confessed Christ, they were to teach others, to have fellowship with believers in prayer and in breaking of bread, to continue "in the way."

III. Added Evidence of Power, vv. 43-47. This passage is not a brief for communism. It is interesting to note that this communism was among believers (v. 44). It was for a special occasion, for they had "tarried at Jerusalem" many days, and beyond doubt had not provided for a long visit. It was according as each "had need." It was purely voluntary (v. 4, 9). The Holy Spirit, however, does bring unity and altruism among believers which expresses itself in social relations and service. There is a difference between the gift of the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit's gifts (I Cor. 12). The baptism of the Holy Spirit or "the gift of the Holy Ghost" is always dependent upon real repentance and is accompanied by remission of sins. This experience is the blood-bought right of every believer in the Lord Jesus Christ. To "receive" is to take or to claim, and by simple prayer and faith that to which we have a right (Acts 4:31; 8:15, 16; Luke 11:13; I John 5:14, 15). By making Jesus Lord and Christ we shall receive the promise (v. 39) which, Peter declared, was for Jewish believers, their children for coming generations, and "all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call," i. e., gentiles of every coming century.

In other words, Pentecost was but an episode which ushered in an age, the age of the Holy Spirit, and he is for every child of God, Jewish and gentile, in every age and in every church.

During that apostolic age every new manifestation of the spirit through its accompanying addition to the number of believers—"The Lord added day by day those that were saved . . . many believers; believers were the more added . . . multitudes of both men and women . . . the word of God increased; a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith."

Peter's sermon honors the Scripture, Christ and the Holy Spirit. The spirit can and does use the living word in preparing men for the kingdom of God.

## Says Woman's Beauty Depends Upon Health

Health and Vigor Necessitate Regulation of Organs of Elimination.



MRS. GERTRUDE JORDAN.

Skin foods and face creams and powders cannot make a woman beautiful, because beauty lies deeper than that—it depends on health. In most cases the basis of health and the cause of sickness can be traced to the action of the bowels.

The headache, the lassitude, the sallow skin, and the lusterless eyes are usually caused by constipation. An ideal remedy for women, and one that is especially suited to their delicate organisms, is found in Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, a mild laxative compound, pleasant to the taste and free from opiates and narcotic drugs of every description. Mrs. Gertrude Jordan, 522 North Liberty St., Indianapolis, Ind., says: "It is simply fine; I have never been able to find anything to compare with Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. I started using it for the baby and now it is my family standby in all cases where a laxative is needed."

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Heading Him Off.

"This war is exhausting Europe, and—"

"It's making me mighty tired, too. Can't you talk about something else?"

## COULDN'T DO HER WORK

Says Condition Was So Serious

Little Daughter Had to Take

Charge of Work, But

Cardui Helped.

Burbank, Fla.—"About a year and a half ago," writes Mrs. Florence Rogers of this place, "I had got in very bad health. Everything was wrong. I couldn't eat anything that didn't make me suffer. . . . My limbs also gave me great pain and the pains in the limbs extending down to the knees. I too had awful pains in the back and was very thin and run-down in health; also, I had pains in the chest and stomach—was terribly nervous. Everything would startle me. . . ."

An acquaintance told me of the great benefit she had received from Cardui. . . . so I thought I would try it inasmuch as I was in so serious a condition. I was so bad off I couldn't do my work. The little daughter had to take charge of the work, and I could hardly walk. . . ."

I began using Cardui, and in about a week I felt much improved. I got better right along, after taking the Cardui, getting better every day. In about two weeks after taking the Cardui, I was able to do all my work except the washing. . . . In a month more, I could do all my work, the washing too. . . ."

I have found it a great remedy and boon for women."

Ladies! Take Cardui for your troubles. For sale by all druggists.

A Hot One.

"My wife has been nursing a grouch all the week."

"Been laid up, have you?"

IF HAIR IS TURNING GRAY, USE SAGE TEA

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Recipe to Darken and Beautify

Gray, Faded, Lifeless Hair.

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A well-known druggist says everybody uses Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur, because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied—it's so easy to use, too. You simply dampen a comb or soft brush and draw it through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; after another application or two, it is restored to its natural color and looks glossy, soft and abundant.—Adv.

When a man is in his cups he should beware of family jars.

## Most Eminent Medical Authorities Endorse It

A New Remedy for Kidney, Bladder and all Uric Acid Troubles

Dr. Eberle and Dr. Braithwaite as well as Dr. Simon—all distinguished Authorities—agree that whatever may be the disease, the urine seldom falls in furnishing us with a clue to the principles upon which it is to be treated, and accurate knowledge concerning the nature of disease can thus be obtained. If backache, scalding urine or frequent urination bother or distress you, or if uric acid in the blood has caused rheumatism, gout or sciatica or you suspect kidney or bladder trouble just write Dr. Pierce at the Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.; send a sample of urine and describe symptoms. You will receive free medical advice after Dr. Pierce's chemist has examined the urine—this will be carefully done without charge, and you will be under no obligation. Dr. Pierce

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